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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 11 & 12, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street, E. C. GEORGE STREET & Co., 30, Cornhill. GORDON & GORRIE, Ludgate Circus, E. C. HENRY & Co., 37, Pall Mall, E. C. SMITH, DRAGON & Co., 150 & 154, Leadenhall Street, W. M. WILKS, 151, Cannon Street, E. C.
PARIS AND EUROPE.—ANDRE PRINCE, 36, Rue Lafayette, Paris.
NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 21, Park Row.
SAN FRANCISCO AND AMERICAN PORTS generally.—BEAN & BLACK, San Francisco.
AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GORRIE, Melbourne and Sydney.
CEYLON.—W. M. SMITH & Co., THE APOTHECARIES Co., Colombo.
SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SAYLE & Co., Singapore. O. HEINZEL & Co., Manila.
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Banks.

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

- 1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.
- 2.—Sums less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$2,500 in any one year.
- 3.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.
- 4.—Interest at the rate of 3 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.
- 5.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.
- 6.—Correspondence as to the business of the Bank if marked *On Hongkong Savings Bank Business* is forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.
- 7.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
G. E. NOBLE,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, January 1, 1889. 754

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, £7,500,000
RESERVE FUND, £4,300,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PRO-
PRIETORS, £7,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.
Chairman—W. H. FRASER, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—H. L. DALRYMPLE, Esq.
Hon. JOHN BELL, Esq.
W. G. BRIDGES, Esq.
T. E. DAVIES, Esq.
J. F. HOLLADAY, Esq.
Hon. B. LAYTON, Esq.
S. C. MICHAELSON, Esq.
J. L. POSENER, Esq.
N. A. STEEN, Esq.
E. A. SOLOMON, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.
Hongkong, G. E. NOBLE, Esq.
Shanghai, EDWIN CAMPBELL, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.
INTEREST ALLOWED.
ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
ON Fixed Deposits:—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BUSINESSES DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.
G. E. NOBLE,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, March 8, 1889. 383

Intimations.

CATHAY CHAPTER, No. 1165.
A Regular CONVOCACTION of the above CHAPTER will be held in the Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on MONDAY, the 25th Instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. VISITING BRETHREN are cordially invited.
Hongkong, March 20, 1889. 639

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.
ADJUSTMENT OF BONDS FOR THE YEAR 1888.
CONTRIBUTORS to the above Office are requested to furnish the Underwritten with a List of their CONTRIBUTIONS for the year ending 31st December, 1888, in Order that the DISTRIBUTION OF BONUS may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st day of MARCH INSTANT will be adjusted by the Office, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Agents,
Canton Insurance Office, Ltd.,
Hongkong, March 1, 1889. 388

Intimations.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Fifth Ordinary General MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Company, Praya Central, on MONDAY, 25th March, at Three o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, declaring a Dividend and electing a Committee of Auditors.
The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 24th Instant, both days inclusive.
RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, March 4, 1889. 422

THE PUNJON AND SUNGHIE DUA SAMANTAN MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY General MEETING of the PUNJON and SUNGHIE DUA SAMANTAN MINING COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 9, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 4th day of April, at 4.30 o'clock in the afternoon, when the submitted Resolution will be proposed.
Should the Resolution be passed by the required majority it will be submitted for Confirmation as a Special Resolution to a Second Extraordinary Meeting which will be subsequently convened.

RESOLUTION.
That the Capital of the Company be increased to the sum of \$500,000 legally current in the Colony of Hongkong by the creation of 20,000 New Shares of \$10 each. Subject to any direction to the contrary that may be given by the Meeting sanctioning the increase of Capital, all New Shares shall be offered to the Members registered on the Day of the Confirmation of the Resolution in proportion to existing Shares held by them, and such offer shall be made by notice specifying the number of Shares to which the Member is entitled and limiting a time within which the offer if not accepted will be deemed to be declined, and after the expiration of such time or on the receipt of an intimation from the Member to whom such notice is given that he declines to accept the Shares offered, such Shares shall be dealt with by the Directors in their discretion.
Dated the 22nd day of March, 1889.
By Order of the Board,
A. O'D. GORDON,
Secretary.

HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to send to this Office, as early as possible, MEMORANDUMS AS TO THEIR "BUY" or "SELL" in filled in.
ALEXANDER LEVY,
Secretary (Pro tem.)
Victoria Building,
Hongkong, March 22, 1889. 554

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £2,500,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL, £1,500,000
Board of Directors:
Hon. J. BELL IRVING, CHAIRMAN.
Hon. C. P. CHATER, VICE-CHAIRMAN.
E. A. SOLOMON, Esq.
J. S. MOSES, Esq.
S. O. MICHAELSON, Esq.
G. E. NOBLE, Esq.

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE Objects for which this Company are formed are to transact in the Colony of Hongkong and its Dependencies, the Business and Affairs of Property, to advance monies on Mortgages, to undertake the Management and Agency of Estates, and generally to carry on any Business in connection with Landed Property.
The fullest information can be had on application at the Company's Offices, No. 7, Queen's Road Central.
ALEXANDER LEVY,
Secretary (Pro tem.)
Victoria Building,
Hongkong, 20th March, 1889. 536

CHINESE PILOTAGE SERVICE.

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Notice is hereby given that on MONDAY, the 25th April, 1889, there will be held a COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION in the Harbour Master's Office at Newchwang, to fill a VACANCY occurring in the Newchwang Pilotage Service. All those who have their names down on the List of Candidates are qualified to compete.
J. ARMOUR,
Harbour Master.
Approved:—
W. B. RUSSELL,
Acting Commissioner of Customs.
Custom House,
Newchwang, February 14, 1889. 478

HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LTD.

TIME TABLE.
WEEK DAYS.
8 to 10 a.m. every quarter of an hour.
12 " 2 p.m. " half hour.
3 " 7 " " quarter of an hour.
THURSDAYS.
NIGHT TRAMS at 10.45 and 11 p.m.
SUNDAYS.
10.40 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. every half hour.
3 to 7 p.m. every quarter of an hour.
Special CARS may be obtained on application to the SUPERINTENDENT.
Single Tickets are sold in the Cars, Fire-Card Coupons and Reduced Tickets at the Office.
MacBEN, FRICKEL & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, January 2, 1889. 2 511

Business Notices.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

NEW BOOKS:
DIAN BARRINGTON.
SHIPS, SAILORS AND THE SEA.
GHOST STORIES.
ETHEL.
AULD LIGHT LITLES.
ARM CHAIR ESSAYS.
OZING CHANCE.
MAJOR LAWRENCE.
THE PORTS AT PLAY.
THE MOUNTAIN KINGDOM.
LORD CAULDS' THIR ROUND THE WORLD.
THE DAUGHTER RACER.
A THIRTY TO SIXTY.
GREENSTON'S GRAPE.
THE MAY HUNTER.
BY WOMAN'S WILL.
A LIFE'S MISTAKE.
PUTTER'S INTEREST TABLE.
MACKIE'S EXCHANGE TABLES.
TODHUNTER'S ALGEBRA.
MANUAL OF SHIP AND GARRISON ARTILLERY.
IMPROVED FIELD EXERCISES.
THE SAILOR'S POCKET BOOK.
NAMES' NAVIGATION.
COASTAL NAVIGATION.
THE ROYAL GUIDE.
THE SAILOR'S SEA BOOK.
SQUIRE'S WALKER IN NAVIGATION.
COMMERCIAL CODE OF SIGNALS.
HANDY REFERENCE ATLAS.
BRITISH COLONIAL POCKET ATLAS.
GARDNER'S HOUSEHOLD MEDICINE.
SPORTS AND AMUSEMENTS.
STONEHENGE ON THE DOG.
CHESS PLAYER'S HANDBOOK.
STANTON'S CHESS.
THE BALANCE OF OUR CHRISTMAS ANNUALS WILL BE SOLD AT REDUCED PRICES.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, February 26, 1889. 366

Victoria Hotel,

THIS Extensive and well-appointed Establishment, situated in one of the most central and airy portions in the Colony and commanding a splendid view of almost the entire harbour and within five minutes' walk of the principal Government Offices (including the Post Office), Banks, &c., has recently been much enlarged and improved and is now one of the principal Hotels in the place.
The ROOMS are spacious, well ventilated and have just been refurnished in a most comfortable and handsomely manner, suited to the requirements of the Far East. The Accommodation and Service of every kind will be found to be of the best description. An ample and varied TABLE D'HOTE is always provided and served in the spacious, large DINING HALL.
The HOTEL also contains handsome and comfortable Reception, Reading, Billiard and Smoking Rooms.
The HOTEL is unsurpassed for comfort, convenience and quick service.
Continental languages are spoken.
Messrs. DORABJEE & HING KEE,
Proprietors.
Hongkong, September 14, 1885. 1612

W. POWELL & Co.

HAVE BOUGHT, AT AN IMMENSE REDUCTION,
The Balance of the BON MARCHE STOCK,
And are offering it for ONE WEEK ONLY at exceptionally LOW PRICES.
THE STOCK consists of—NOVELS, MUSIC, MICROSCOPES, ANEROID BAROMETERS, STEREOGRAMS, MONTELENS, VIEWS, CIGAR HOLDERS, PIPES, FIDDLE BOWS, BANJO, TAMBORENS, BONES, POCKET BOOKS, BAGS, FLASKS, GLASS WARE, &c., &c.
W. POWELL & Co.
VICTORIA EXCHANGE, March 9, 1889. 460

ROBERT LANG & Co.,

HAVE RECEIVED THEIR SECOND DELIVERY
WINTER COATINGS, TWEED AND DRESS SUITINGS,
TROUSERS, and ULSTER TWEEDS.
A Very Stylish Selection.
OUR OUTFITTING STOCK is ALL COMPLETE IN SEASONABLE GOODS.
QUEEN'S ROAD (opposite HOY KONG HOTEL),
Hongkong, January 14, 1889. 69

Intimations.

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.
THE Statutory General MEETING of the above Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL on SATURDAY, the 30th Instant, at 3.30 p.m.
GIBB LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents in Hongkong & China.
Hongkong, March 11, 1889. 454

NOTICE.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.
SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this Harbour, NONE of the Company's FOREMEN should be at hand, Orders for REPAIRS if sent to the Head Office, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.
In the Event of Complaints being found necessary, Communication with the Undersecretary is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.
D. GILLIES,
Secretary.
Hongkong, August 25, 1885. 1488

NOTICE.

CHY-LOONG,
DEALER IN SWEETMEATS;
SOY AND ALL KINDS OF CANTON PRESERVES,
No. 24, Old China Street.
An attempt has been made by a person in Hongkong to palm off upon persons purchasing sweetmeats for Export an inferior article upon which he places my name in order to deceive those who may purchase thereby injuring my former reputation. This is to inform my old customers that there has been no change made in my manufacture from the former ones, and that my sweetmeats can be obtained at no other place than where it has been made for the past 30 years at No. 24, Old China Street. Parties residing abroad should be particular when giving orders, to purchase of no others who bear my name as they are of inferior quality.
CANTON, 8th December, 1881.
And on Cards my seal, CHY-LOONG, Canton, with a Receipt will be found on the Cards.
I also beg to notify that I have no Agency in Hongkong, nor is anybody entrusted with the sale of my Goods there.
CHY-LOONG,
Honom, Canton.

Intimations.

THE STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
THE Third CALL of TEN DOLLARS per Share in Div. on the 2nd day of April, 1889, as per Article No. 33 of the Company.
SHAREHOLDERS will please PAY the AMOUNT Due upon their Shares to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
By Order,
A. G. GORDON,
Secretary.
Hongkong, March 12, 1889. 464

Intimations.

VICTORIA PUBLIC SCHOOL, YOKOHAMA.
THIS SCHOOL, situated in a very healthy position on the BLUFF, provides good EDUCATION FOR BOYS from 8 to 17. Boarders taken. Prospectus with Office of this Paper.
C. H. HINTON, M.A., OXON,
Head Master.

CHAS. J. GAUFF & Co.,

Chronometer, Watch & Clock Makers,
Jewellers, Gold & Silversmiths.
NAUTICAL, SCIENTIFIC AND METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS.
VOYAGERS' CELEBRATED BINOCULARS AND TELESCOPES.
REPAIRS TO ALL KINDS OF COMPASSES, ADMIRALTY & IMRAY CHARTS, NAUTICAL BOOKS.
English Silver & Electro-Plated Ware, Crystal & Co. & Electro-Plated Ware, GOLD & SILVER JEWELLERY in great variety.
DIAMONDS
AND
DIAMOND JEWELLERY,
A Splendid Collection of the Latest London Patterns, at very moderate prices. 748

DENTISTRY.

FIRST CLASS WORKMANSHIP.
MODERATE FEES.
MR. WONG TAI FONG,
Surgeon Dentist,
(FORMERLY ATTENDED APPOINTMENT AND LATER ASSISTANT TO DR. ROGERS.)
At the urgent request of his European and American patients and friends, has TAKEN THE OFFICE formerly occupied by Dr. ROGERS.
No. 2, DUNDRELL STREET.
CONSULTATION FREE.
Discount to missionaries and families.
Sole Address:
2, DUNDRELL STREET,
(Next to the New Oriental Bank.)
Hongkong, January 18, 1889. 68

Business Notices.

THE HALL & HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY, LIMITED.

Gentlemen's
TAILORING AND OUTFITTING DEPARTMENTS.
Spring and Summer
Seasons.
THE LARGEST AND MOST FASHIONABLE STOCK
EVER IMPORTED TO HONGKONG.
Special attention given to Out-port and Post Orders.
THE HALL & HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE LTD.
Hongkong, March 8, 1889. 447

Notices of Firms.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
NOTICE.
FROM this date, and during the Absence of Mr. J. H. K. COCHRANE from the Colony, Mr. GEORGE LOUGHER TOMLIN has been appointed ACTING SECRETARY to the Company.
P. RYRIE,
Chairman.
Hongkong, March 16, 1889. 560

NOTICE.

M. R. JOHN MEIER has been authorized to SIGN our Firm from this date.
KRUSE & Co.
Hongkong, March 18, 1889. 516

Intimations.

THE STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED.
KOWLOON FERRY.
One of the Company's Launches runs daily as a Ferry Boat between Plover's Wharf Kowloon Point at the following hours:—
LEAVES KOWLOON. LEAVES HONGKONG.
6.00 A.M. 2.10 P.M. 6.10 A.M. 2.55 P.M.
6.30 " 3.10 " 6.35 " 3.55 "
7.25 " 4.10 " 7.40 " 4.25 "
7.55 " 4.45 " 8.11 " 5.05 "
8.45 " 5.25 " 8.55 " 5.41 "
9.25 " 6.11 " 9.35 " 6.25 "
9.55 " 6.41 " 10.11 " 6.55 "
10.33 " 7.10 " 11.55 " 7.25 "
12.25 P.M. 8.31 " 1.00 P.M. 9.00 "
1.25 " 10.30 " 1.55 " 11.40 "
11.30 " 1.00 " 12.00 "
THE ABOVE TIME TABLE will be strictly adhered to, and all vessels all previous ones.
By Order,
A. G. GORDON,
Secretary.

* There will be no Launch on Tuesday and Saturday, on account of coaling.
Hongkong, March 19, 1889. 531

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

THIS Company having PURCHASED the MILLS from the HONGKONG STEAM SAW MILL CO. (Ld.), Bowbington, are prepared to Contract for the SUPPLY of BORNEO and other TIMBERS, in Logs or sawn, to any dimensions, at short notice. The Company are also prepared to undertake GENERAL AGENCY BUSINESS at any of its Branches in Borneo.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents in Hongkong.
Hongkong, January 1, 1889. 13

NOTICE.

MRS. KORFF, of the Berlin Conservatory, begs to announce to the Residents of Hongkong that she is prepared to give LESSONS in MUSIC (PIANO, VOICE, SINGING, and HARMONY), and she is also desirous of forming a PUBLIC CLASS for the teaching of these Subjects.
Mrs. KORFF will be glad to receive Applications from Ladies and Gentlemen, at her temporary Address, Room No. 25, VICTORIA HOTEL,
Hongkong, March 19, 1889. 633

ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION IN LIQUIDATION.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
PAYMENT OF 6th DIVIDEND.
A 6th DIVIDEND of 6% on all CLAIMS against the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, which have been approved by the Court of Chancery, will be paid at the Office of the NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED, on and after MONDAY, the 18th MARCH NEXT.
Creditors are requested to apply to the Bank for their Dividends, and to produce the letter they hold from the Official Liquidator, admitting their Claims, in order that the Payment of the 6th Dividend may be endorsed thereon.

PAYMENT OF FINAL DIVIDEND IN ADVANCE UNDER DISCOUNT.

THE OFFICIAL LIQUIDATOR by arrangement with THE ASSETS REALIZATION Co. is prepared to Pay IN ADVANCE CREDITORS willing to receive such Payment in FULL DISCHARGE of their CLAIMS the Dividend of 5-2 payable in the year 1890, UNDER A DISCOUNT OF FIVE-TWELFTHS PER CENT.
Creditors who are willing to accept Payment of the Final Dividend less discount as above are requested to communicate with the undersigned BEFORE THE END OF THE CURRENT MONTH.
E. W. RUTTER,
Agent for the Official Liquidator,
Oriental Bank Corporation in Liquidation.
2, QUEEN'S ROAD,
Hongkong, February 6, 1889. 235

Shipping.

Steamers.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.
The Co.'s Steamship, *Hailong*, Captain ROSE, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 24th Instant, at Daylight.
For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAIPRAK & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, March 21, 1889. 544

Shipping.

FOR SINGAPORE, HAVRE AND HAMBURG.
(Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LONDON, LIVERPOOL and BREMEN.)
The Steamship *Electra*, Captain P. MILLER, will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 25th Instant, at 10 a.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEMSEN & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, March 15, 1889. 492

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR SHANGHAI VIA AMOY.
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for NINGPO, CHEFOO, NEW CHWANG, TIENTSIN, HANKOW and Ports on the YANGTZE.)
The Co.'s Steamship *Bellerophon*, Captain GUTHRIE, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 27th Instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, March 19, 1889. 529

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The Co.'s Steamship *Cyclone*, Captain RISH, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 30th Instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, March 22, 1889. 552

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR TIENTSIN.
The Co.'s Steamship *Kwangtung*, Captain SHALKE, will be despatched as above on or about the 30th Instant.
For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.
Hongkong, March 22, 1889. 551

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.
The Co.'s Steamship *Chinghai*, Captain HURD, Commander, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 27th Prox., at 4 p.m.
The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First-class Saloon and Cabin are situated forward of the Engines. Second-class Passengers are berthed in the Poop. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, March 20, 1889. 541

Shipping.

Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
The Co.'s Steamship *Nesher*, Captain THOMSON, will be despatched as above on SUNDAY, the 31st Instant.
Passengers for Europe desiring to proceed OVERLAND, can, on application to the Undersecretary, have their Tickets endorsed for surrender at Algiers in exchange for Coupon Tickets to Marseilles (by Transatlantic Company's express boats), and thence to Paris or London. Algiers is 25 hours steaming from Marseilles, and thence to London occupies about the same time.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, March 21, 1889. 548

THE GIBB LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo for ADELAIDE, TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, &c.)
The British Steamer *Aden*, Captain BOY, will be despatched as above on or about the 7th Proximo.
Fare to Sydney or Melbourne, \$150.
For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Managers.
Hongkong, March 21, 1889. 547

Shipping.

Steamers.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.
FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHEW.
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The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. First-class Saloon and Cabin are situated forward of the Engines. Second-class Passengers are berthed in the Poop. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire voyage. A duly qualified Surgeon is carried.
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Hongkong, March 20, 1889. 541

Shipping.

Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.
FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.
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Passengers for Europe desiring to proceed OVERLAND, can, on application to the Undersecretary, have their Tickets endorsed for surrender at Algiers in exchange for Coupon Tickets to Marseilles (by Transatlantic Company's express boats), and thence to Paris or London. Algiers is 25 hours steaming from Marseilles, and thence to London occupies about the same time.
For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, March 21, 1889. 548

THE GIBB LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
(Calling at PORT DARWIN & QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo for ADELAIDE, TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, &c.)
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To Let.

ROOMS in "COLLIER CHAMBERS."
Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, December 12, 1888. 504

TO LET.

GROUND FLOOR OF HOUSE No. 63, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
Possession from 1st April next.
Apply to
LAI HING & Co.,
No. 153, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, March 13, 1889. 475

TO LET.

(With Immediate Possession.)
NOS. 1, 2 & 4, QUEEN'S GARDENS.
Apply to
G. C. ANDERSON,
13, Praya Central.
Hongkong, March 14, 1889. 147

TO LET.

2ND FLOOR OF HOUSE, No. 64, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.
Possession from 1st April next.
Apply to
LAI HING & Co.,
No. 153, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, February 23, 1889. 357

TO LET.

PEAK—LA HUI CHEN, formerly occupied by Sir George Phillips.
Apply to
H. N. MODY,
Victoria Buildings.
Hongkong, December 12, 1888. 2096

TO LET.

NOS. 2, MORRISON HILL.
Entry 1st April.
Apply to
G. C. ANDERSON,
13, Praya Central.
Hongkong, February 25, 1889. 363

TO LET.

THE GROUND FLOOR OF HOUSE No. 4, BIRD BUILDINGS.
Possession from 1st April next.
For Particulars, apply to
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Hongkong, March 14, 1889. 488

For Sale.

FOR SALE.
JULES MUMM & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE.
Quarts, 80 per Case of 12.
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Dubois & Co. to Gordon & Co.
BORDEAUX CLARETS AND WHITE WINES.
Barter's Celebrated 'Barley Brue' WHISKY, 87 per Case of 12.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, July 18, 1884. 1187

Notices to Consignees.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES
STEAMSHIP PRUSSSEN,
FROM BREMEN AND PORTS OF CALL.

THE above-named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be landed here in Hongkong unless notice to the contrary be given before 10 a.m. To-morrow, the 22nd instant.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 23rd March will be subject to rent.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd April, at 4 p.m.
All Claims must reach us before the 4th April, or they will not be recognised.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, March 21, 1889. 549

SHIRE LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE S.S. GLAMORGANSHIRE, FROM HAMBURG, ANTWERP, LONDON, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LTD., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon To-day.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th instant will be subject to rent.
All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 27th instant, or they will not be recognised.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, March 21, 1889. 542

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—
ADAM W. BYRNE, American barque, Capt. A. D. Field.—Russell & Co.
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BYRIG, German barque, Captain P. Wiesner.—Wiesner & Co.

Entertainment.

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THIS EVENING,
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Doors open at 8.30 p.m.
To commence at 9.00 p.m.

HUGO GOLDFITZ,
Manager.
Hongkong, March 23, 1889. 555

Intimations.

COLLEGE OF MEDICINE FOR CHINESE.
RESIDENTS in the Colony would be materially aided in the study of the COLLEGE by forwarding to the ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

(1) Glass Jars (for museum purposes).
(2) Illustrated Papers and Books for the Student's Reading Room and Library.
Address to
JAMES CANTLIE,
Hon. Sec. to the College.
Hongkong, August 7, 1888. 1317

BOARD AND RESIDENCE.
COMFORTABLE HOME
FOR SINGLE GENTLEMEN.
MODERATE TERMS.
MRS. KJELLER,
Proprietress.
Hongkong, January 26, 1889. 101

TO-day's Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION
OF
JAPANESE PORCELAIN, SILKS, AND WORKS OF ART.

THE undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on
SATURDAY,
the 30th March, 1889, commencing at 2.15 p.m., at his Sale Rooms, Duddell Street—
A LARGE AND VERY FINE COLLECTION OF JAPANESE PORCELAIN AND WORKS OF ART,

comprising:—
FINE SATSUMA, KAGA, IMARI, KYOTO and TOKIO VASES, JARS, PLATES, HANDSOME TEA AND BREAKFAST SETS, CHRONOMETER PLATES, PLAQUES AND ORNAMENTS, BRONZE VASES, TRAYS and SNUFFERS.
HANDSOME SILK EMBROIDERIES, WALL HANGINGS, KAKIMONOS, SILK HANDBANDS, CHIEFS, SHAWLS and DRESSING GOWNS, &c.
JEWELS, LAQUER WARE, INLAID PANELS and SCREENS, GOLD and SILK EMBROIDERED SCREENS.

And
OTHER CURIOS.
Catalogue will be issued prior to Sale, and the above will be on view on Friday next.

TERMS OF SALE.—As customary.
G. R. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, March 23, 1889. 553

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.
MONTHLY HANDICAP CHALLENGE CUP AND A PRIZE OF \$5.
200 & 500 YARDS. ENTRANCE FEE, 50 CENTS.

THE FIRST COMPETITION will take place NEXT SATURDAY, 30th March, at 3.30 p.m.
Intending COMPETITORS must send in their Entrance Fee to the HONORARY SECRETARY before 4 o'clock p.m. next Friday, 29th instant.

MEMBERS who have not paid their Subscription for the current year will not be allowed to compete.

A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Hon. Secretary,
c/o HONGKONG CLUB.
Hongkong, March 23, 1889. 552

SUMMER TIME TABLE.

THE KOWLOON FERRY.
STEAM LAUNCH
MORNING STAR

Runs DAILY as a FERRY BOAT between Peking's Wharf and Tsim-Tsui at the following hours:—This Time Table will take effect from the 21st MARCH, 1889.

LEAVES KOWLOON. LEAVES HONGKONG.

6.00 a.m. 3.00 p.m. 6.20 a.m. 2.45 p.m.

6.30 " 3.30 " 7.00 " 3.15 "

7.15 " 4.00 " 7.30 " 3.45 "

8.00 " 4.40 " 8.15 " 4.20 "

8.30 " 5.20 " 8.45 " 5.10 "

9.00 " 6.00 " 9.15 " 5.35 "

9.45 " 6.30 " 10.00 " 6.15 "

10.30 " 6.50 " 11.45 " 6.40 "

NOON. 7.15 " 12.30 p.m. 7.00 "

12.45 p.m. 3.00 " 1.00 " 8.45 "

1.15 " 10.00 " 1.45 " 9.45 "

2.00 " 11.00 " 2.15 " 10.45 "

2.30 "

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR SHANGHAI.
The Steamship Yangtze, Capt. TONNINGSEN, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 24th Inst., at 4 p.m.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, March 23, 1889. 559

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Lydia, Captain PETERSEN, MEN, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Underwriter, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 p.m. To-day, the 23rd instant.
Any Cargo impeding their discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Kowloon Pier and Godown Co. and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th Inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 29th instant, at 4 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
SIEMSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, March 23, 1889. 560

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THE Steamship GAELIC will be despatched for San Francisco, with Steamer from Shanghai and Japan ports, on TUESDAY, the 28th April, at 1 p.m.
Continuation being made at Yokohama, with Steamer from Shanghai and Japan ports, on TUESDAY, the 28th April, at 1 p.m.

All Parcel Packages should be marked to address full, and same will be received at the Company's Office, until 5 p.m. the day previous to sailing.

First-class Fare granted as follows:—
To San Francisco ... \$200.00
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Passengers by this line have the option of proceeding overland by the Southern Pacific and connecting lines, Central Pacific, Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco, or China or Japan or vice versa, within one year will be allowed a discount of 10%.

Does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Consular invoices to accompany Cargo destined to ports beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Office, and returned to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agents of the Company, No. 153, Queen's Road Central.

C. D. HARMAN,
Agent.
Hongkong, March 23, 1889. 561

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One part to one thousand of water.

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Sold in 8 oz. and 16 oz. bottles.
Hongkong, March 18, 1889. 523

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
March 23, 1889:—
Amoy, German steamer, 814, R. Kohler, Wuhu March 18, Rica.—SIEMSEN & Co.
Yangtze, German steamer, from Wampoa.

China, German steamer, 1,091, P. Hays, Saigon March 19, Rica.—CHINESE.

Mongkut, British steamer, 859, Geo. Wm. Richardson, New York January 24, General.—YVES FAY HONOR.

Lydia, German steamer, 1,186, G. Petersen, Hamburg January 31, Port Said Feb. 17, Suva 19, Penang March 13, and Singapore 10, General.—SIEMSEN & Co.

Kent, British steamer, 1,010, F. Johnston, Kobe March 19, Rica.—OBER.

Fushiki Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,119, P. O. French, Nagasaki March 18, Coal.—MITSUBISHI KAISER.

Chakren Zenite, British steamer, 2,167, Wm. Richardson, New York January 24, and Singapore March 17, General.—ADAMSON, BELL & Co.

Aleutina, German steamer, 400, Samuelson, Haiphong March 19, and Holbow 22, General.—WILSON & Co.

CLEARED.
Independent, for Nagasaki.
Haiphong, for Coast Ports.
Pictoria, for Amoy.
Yangtze, for Shanghai.
Clara, for Haiphong.

DEPARTURES.

March 23:—
Prussen, for Shanghai.
General Wender, for Yokohama.
Glamorganshire, for Nagasaki and Kobe.
China, for Singapore and Calcutta.
Kinta, for Singapore and Bombay.
Oceanic, for San Francisco.
President Garfield, for Saigon.
Almora, for Amoy.
Zofiro, for Amoy and Manila.
Amey, for Wampoa.

PASSENGERS.
Arrived.
Per Amoy, from Wuhu, Mrs. Ramsey, and 10 Chinese.
Per Mongkut, from Bangkok, 120 Chinese.
Per Lydia, from Hamburg, Mr. Fausen, and 167 Chinese.
Per Aleutina, from Haiphong, 54 Chinese.

DEPARTING.
Per Glamorganshire, for Nagasaki, 2 Europeans.
Per Oceanic, for Yokohama, Mrs. Hepburn, Lieut. Brett, B.A., and Capt. Calder, Miss Wood, Mr. J. R. Lloyd, and Abel's Chinese Company, for San Francisco.
Hon. J. M. P. Messrs. Lewis, H. Wrething, and Samuel; B. Stiehl, Miss Withers, Mrs. Naff, Miss Ward, Miss Lathrop, Miss H. S. Phillips, Miss Winstanley, Mr. and Mrs. Chou, and 40 girls; for London, Marquis de Moron, Messrs. A. S. Hon-wink, G. Mallinger, T. Koning and Thos. Forrest.

Per Taisang, for Singapore, 5 Europeans, and 810 Chinese.
Per Kaiter, for Singapore, 1,030 Chinese.
Per President Garfield, for Saigon, 12 Chinese.

Per Almora, for Amoy, 50 Chinese.
Per Zofiro, for Amoy, 3 Europeans, and 75 Chinese.

TO DEPART.
Per Haiphong, for Coast Ports, 11 Europeans, and 200 Chinese.
Per Pictoria, for Amoy 300 Chinese.
Per Yangtze, for Shanghai, 1 European, and 16 Chinese.
Per Clara, for Haiphong, 30 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
The German steamer Amey reports: Had light South-Easterly and South-Westerly breeze, and calm with fine weather throughout from Lamrocks Island to port, thick fog anchored outside the Nine-pines last night 8.30.

The British steamer Mongkut reports: Had light variable winds and fine weather to 50 miles North of the Ladrones; thence to port thick fog.

The German steamer Lydia reports: Left Hamburg on the 31st January, arrived Port Said 17th February, passed Suva 10th March, arrived Penang 13th March, left same day, arrived Singapore 18th March, left on the 18th; and arrived Hongkong on the 23rd March. Up the China sea, had light variable winds and fine weather. Last night outside the islands foggy.

The Japanese steamer Fushiki Maru reports: Had moderate and fine weather, with fog down the coast.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.
MAILS will close:—
For SHANGHAI.
Per Yangtze, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 24th inst.

For CANTON.
Per Honam, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 24th inst.

For STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.
Per Sledra, at 10.30 a.m., on Monday, the 25th inst.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.
Shipping.
10 a.m.—Extra leaves for Havre, &c.
Meetings.

3 p.m.—Meeting of shareholders of The Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd., at the Office of the Company.
9 p.m.—Convocation of Cating Chapter.

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WATSON'S CANTHARIDINE HAIR LOTION.
This Preparation is the most Powerful of all agents for Promoting the growth or preventing the falling out of the Hair.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
March 11th, 1889. 462

He publication of this issue commenced at 8.25 p.m.

One China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 1889.

The Governor has certainly not improved his position with regard to the Praya Reclamation Ordinance by the message which was read at the meeting of the Legislative Council held yesterday. The document contains a good many high-sounding phrases, but little real argument, and a considerable amount of misrepresentation. The greater part consists of a laboured attempt to prove that the reclamation of the Praya is a work undertaken for a public purpose within the meaning of the term employed in Crown Leases. Now, we will again repeat—for there is a tendency to doubt all who dare to criticize the details of this big scheme as obstructionists opposed to a great improvement—that the reclamation of the Praya will improve the Colony in many ways, and that the general community will reap considerable collateral benefits from the enterprise. This is all that the Governor succeeds in proving; and it is quite a different thing from proving that the work is done for a 'public purpose.' We have already shown that, in his previous communications, the Governor drew a broad distinction between the two alternative schemes—the one in which the Government did the work for the public profit and benefit, and the other in which the marine lot-holders did it for their own profit and benefit.

Even in the message read yesterday, he suggests that if the Government had not allowed negotiations to go too far a length before they woke up to the public interest involved, they might have been allowed to undertake the work for the public benefit. And yet, although he has all along distinctly laid down these broadly divergent alternatives, he goes on at great length in his message to prove that the benefit of the marine lot-holder is virtually identical with the benefit of the public, and that the five million profit to accrue to these owners, at which he grumbled before, is a mere bagatelle which may be as well in the pockets of Messrs Chater & Co. as in the purse of the general community. The specious arguments by which he endeavours to prove this are, briefly stated, as follows:—First, there will be relief to the congested condition of the town; second, the present noxious foreshore will be improved away; third, there will be increased facilities for discharging cargoes; fourth, there will be a profit from the Government portion estimated at \$1,441,537; fifth, there is estimated to be a return of \$9,040,000 for land in Kennedy Town collaterally improved by the Reclamation; sixth, there will be rents from the reclaimed land; and last, there will be the aesthetic improvement. This seems at first sight a formidable catalogue; but it will not stand much investigation. The only direct gain to the public is the million and a half got from the Government share of the Reclamation—the share that is really done for a 'public purpose'; and this direct tangible benefit stands out in strange contrast with the vague, shadowy benefits that are to fall to the community as crumbs from the richly-laden table of the marine lot-owners. Relief to the congestion—why, every new house that is built, every new piece of land that is bought by a private individual is relief to the congestion, and yet no one would dream of saying that he builds or buys for a 'public purpose.' The same remarks apply with increased force to the gain derived from rents. It is derived in every case in which new land is purchased and built upon. Increased facilities in discharging cargoes—but the gain almost entirely falls to the marine lot-owners, who are not likely to allow ships to come alongside their part of the sea-wall without charging pretty high prices. Besides, it is very improbable that large vessels would go alongside the sea-wall. The Wharf Company expects them all to come opposite to their godowns at Kowloon. The Kennedy-town incidental improvement is of too doubtful a character to weigh for much. We have yet to learn that there will be a demand for property so far removed from the centre of the town. According to Mr. Ede's testimony there is great difficulty in making the Chinese spread out so as to occupy the houses that have already been built in the vicinity of West Point. There remains the improvement of the foreshore. This is a complex question which it would require a separate article to deal with. The insanitary condition of the foreshore has been caused by our defective drainage system and the refuse that comes from the sampans that congregate about the edge of the Praya. The increase in the depth of water and in the strength of the current will doubtless improve matters. We will be able to start afresh; but unless the drainage system is improved and some better regulations are adopted the evils will soon reappear. It must not be forgotten, also, that the large increase in the level area will render the task of drainage a much more difficult one and will add largely to the cost. But, whatever be their value, we are quite willing to give the Governor the full advantage of all these incidental improvements. It must not be lost sight of, however, that they are only incidental, and that they would have accrued to the community, in addition to the profit, had the Government undertaken the work. These benefits do not come to us because the marine lot-owners are doing the work, but because such a work, like almost all private works that are done in the Colony cannot be carried out without benefiting the community as a whole. After all has been said, nothing can alter the fact that the work is a private undertaking. The marine lot-owners originated it, they will pay for it and they will reap most of the direct gain.

We have dealt at length with this part of the subject, because the Governor, although stating he wished the Government to undertake the work for the good of the community, the benefits that come sideways to the community, and tries to make out that these side benefits are such as to alter the character of the work and make it one for a 'public purpose.' We think he has miserably failed to prove his case, and we do not think his ordinance will in any way strengthen his position. It cannot make black the same colour as white. But, after all, it does not matter, so far as the question of compensation is concerned, whether the work is declared to be for a 'public purpose' or not. In any case non-conceding lot-owners are entitled to 'full and fair' compensation. It is in the part of his message dealing with this question of compensation that the inconsistencies and the misrepresentations mostly exist. In justification of the section of the ordinance which states:—

In case any such holder declines to enter into any agreement in manner above provided he shall have no claim to any

compensation in respect of any depreciation of his lot by reason of the works to be carried out under this Ordinance, but the Governor may, if he thinks fit, award to him such a sum of money or such a Crown Lease of new land as he may in his absolute discretion think sufficient as and by way of compensation for any injury that such lot-holder may have sustained by the works. (The italics are our own.)

His Excellency says: "It should be remembered in the first place that the tenure of every one of the lot-holders is under a lease containing a condition, by which his land may at any time be resumed for a public purpose, the Surveyor General being in such case constituted the sole arbitrator—so that if the land of any lot-holder were to be, as it legitimately might be, resumed for this public purpose, the position created for him by a condition to which he has voluntarily submitted already, could hardly be regarded as preferable to that contemplated by the proposed enactment." Now, what does the Governor mean say this?

Her said Majesty, Her Heirs, Successors and Assigns, shall have full power to resume, enter into, and re-take possession of all or any part of the premises hereby expressed to be donated, if required for the improvement of the said Colony of Hongkong, or for any other public purpose whatsoever, Three Calendar Months' notice being given to the said . . . Executors, Administrators, and Assigns of its being so required, and a full and fair compensation for the said Land and the Building thereon, being paid to the said . . . Heirs, Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, at a valuation, to be fairly and impartially made by the Surveyor of Her said Majesty, Her Heirs, &c.—(The italics are our own.)

On comparing the two statements it will at once be seen that the Governor gives a very garbled version of the rights of Crown lessees. They are entitled to full and fair compensation, and the valuation is to be fairly and impartially made by Her Majesty's surveyor; while the Governor simply says the Surveyor General is the sole arbitrator. We may also add that in a recent case, where the fairness and impartiality of the said surveyor was impugned, instructions were received from the Secretary of State that arbitrators must be appointed to represent each party. It stands to reason that the Surveyor cannot be made the judge of the fairness and impartiality of his own decision, and in any case where they are challenged reference must be made to a higher authority. But the Governor is advised on high authority, so he says, that the owners of marine frontage lots are not in a position analogous to that of riparian proprietors, inasmuch as they have no immediate access to the sea (the foreshore having for many years been occupied by a wide public street). We do not know who is the high authority, but we are inclined to believe it is somebody who knows very little about the subject. Marine lots are sold as marine lots, the word 'marine' being repeated in every clause of the lease. They pay a higher crown rent than inland lots, and there can be no doubt

EDUCATION IN CHINA.

HOW THE STUDENT RISES FROM GRADE TO GRADE.

(Written for the China Mail.)

The fourth examination begins at a later hour than the third, and while the number of the examinees may be larger than before—all of them from the Four Books—time is not allowed for the completion of any of them. In addition to the classical themes, a philosophical theme is given. Besides this, there are practical themes, to be treated in a way different from those in the preceding examinations, and much more difficult, as the lines of poetry are subject also to the rules governing the composition of antithetical couplets. The metres, whether five characters to a line, or seven (the only variation to choose from), is left to the option of the candidate, who, if he be a fine scholar and a rapid penman, may treat the same theme in both ways. A meal is served as at the preceding trial, and by five or six o'clock, the hall is empty. After the interval of another day, the fourth board is hung, and the number who have survived this examination is found to be a small one—perhaps twenty or thirty. A day later the final examination occurs. The theme is from the Four Books, and may be treated fully or partially according to the examiner's order as to the manner. A poem is required in the five-character metre, and also a transcript of some section of the "Sacred Edicts of the Emperor Yang Chong." A design of the latter to furnish a specimen of the candidate's handwriting, in case it should be afterwards needed for comparison. A meal is furnished as before, and by the middle of the afternoon, the hall is cleared. The next day, the board is again hung, announcing the names who have finally passed. The number is small, and it is relatively lower than the population in most cases. In two contiguous districts, for example, which furnish on an average 500 or 600 candidates, the number of those who can pass is limited, in the one case to 2 and in the other to 17. In an other district where there are often 2000 candidates, only 30 can pass. It thus appears that the chances of success for the average candidate are extremely tenuous. Every candidate for a degree is required to have a "surety." These are selected from graduates of former years, who have advanced one step beyond that of Hsin Tai, to that of Ling Sheng Hsin Tai.

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The total number of examinees is not necessarily large, perhaps four from each district, and many of them may be totally unacquainted with the persons for whom they become their responsible. The nature of the responsibility is twofold, first to guarantee that the persons who enter under a particular name, really bear that name, and second that during the examination they will not violate any of the established rules. If a false name is shown to have been entered, or if a violation of the rules occurs, the Ling Sheng would be held responsible, and would be likely to lose his own rank as a graduate. Each candidate is required to furnish not only a surety, but also an alternate surety, and in consideration of a present of from ten cents to five or six dollars, the Ling Shengs are quite willing to guarantee as many candidates as apply. They must be paid in advance, or they will prevent the candidate from entering the examination hall.

The preliminary examinations in the district city, having been completed, are followed about a month later by similar ones in the prefectural city before the prefect, (Chia Pu). These are gathered candidates from all the districts within the jurisdiction, and the Faculty districts varying in number according to density of population, from two or three, to twelve or more. Those who have failed to pass the district examination are not on that account disqualified from appearing at the prefectural examination, which, like the former, are required to act as a process of sifting, in preparation for the final and decisive trial before the literary Chancellor. The details of the prefectural examination are similar to those already described, and the final result is about the same. The number of candidates, in a thickly settled prefecture, will often amount to more than ten thousand. As no ordinary examination building will accommodate such a number of examinees, they are examined in relays. The examination is conducted by the Prefect, but it is by no means follows that those who have been first in the district examinations will be so now. The order changes, indeed, from day to day, but those who are constantly toward the head of the list, are regarded as certain to pass the Chancellor's examination. Those who have already attained the degree of Hsin Tai's, are examined by themselves for pro-

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SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, Saturday Noon, 23rd March, 1889.

STOCKS.	Yuan Established.	Capital.	No. of Shares.	Par Value of Share.	Amount Paid-up per share.	Reserve Fund.	POSITION PER LAST REPORT.		DIVIDEND.		CASH QUOTATIONS.		
							At credit of working cap., or Bal. Profit.		Amount.	When paid.	Closing.	During Current Week Highest. Lowest.	
Banks.													
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	1883	7,500,000	80,000	125	all	\$ 4,300,000	50,874.67	30 for 4 parts to 31 12 1888-89-89-90-90-91 (share)	Feb. 25, 89	150 % prem. sellers	162 % prem.	158 % prem.	
Marine Insurances.													
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	1867	2,500,000	10,000	250	25	696,500	{ \$ 386,891.82 estimated to 30 June 88	{ 20 % to 25 per sh. for 1887 20 percent for 1888 for year ending 31 Dec. 10 per cent. for year — Do. 24-27 20 per cent. for 12 m. ending 31/12/88—Tls. 112 and 87 1/2 10 per cent. for 12 m. ending 31/12/88 in 6 per cent. for 1887 14 % for 1887 & 10 % for 1888 1 per cent. for year ending 31/12/88 6 per cent. int. div. for 6 m. ending 30/6/88 \$120 p. sh. for year ending 31 Dec. 1887 10p. sh. to 31st Dec. 88 5p. sh. and 10p. for 87 — 25 per cent. per year 10 p. c. for 1887, 10 p. c. int. div. to 31st Dec. 1887	Oct. 11, 88	\$108, buyers	—	—	
China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd.	1865	2,000,000	24,000	83.33	25	650,000	261,119.28	10 per cent. for 1887 10 per cent. for 1888 10 per cent. for 1889 10 per cent. for 1890 10 per cent. for 1891 10 per cent. for 1892 10 per cent. for 1893 10 per cent. for 1894 10 per cent. for 1895 10 per cent. for 1896 10 per cent. for 1897 10 per cent. for 1898 10 per cent. for 1899 10 per cent. for 1900 10 per cent. for 1901 10 per cent. for 1902 10 per cent. for 1903 10 per cent. for 1904 10 per cent. for 1905 10 per cent. for 1906 10 per cent. for 1907 10 per cent. for 1908 10 per cent. for 1909 10 per cent. for 1910 10 per cent. for 1911 10 per cent. for 1912 10 per cent. for 1913 10 per cent. for 1914 10 per cent. for 1915 10 per cent. for 1916 10 per cent. for 1917 10 per cent. for 1918 10 per cent. for 1919 10 per cent. for 1920 10 per cent. for 1921 10 per cent. for 1922 10 per cent. for 1923 10 per cent. for 1924 10 per cent. for 1925 10 per cent. for 1926 10 per cent. for 1927 10 per cent. 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